

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend paragraph [0001] as follows:

[0001] This application is a Continuation of co-pending and commonly assigned U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/080,168 entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR BI-DIRECTIONAL ACCESS TO A FASTENING DEVICE", filed February 21, 2002, and issued as U.S. Pat. No. 6,672,787 on January 6, 2004; this application is also related to commonly assigned and concurrently filed U.S. Patent Applications Serial Numbers ~~{Attorney Docket No. 10017979-3}~~ 10/751,044, ~~{Attorney Docket No. 10017979-4}~~; 10/750,740 and ~~{Attorney Docket No. 10017979-5}~~ 10/751,197 all filed January 2, 2004, and all entitled SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR BI-DIRECTIONAL ACCESS TO A FASTENING DEVICE[[],]; the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference.